

Federal Communications Commission

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§ 90.907 Submission of upfront payments and down payments.

(a) *Upfront payments.* Bidders in a 800 MHz SMR auction for Spectrum Blocks A through V will be required to submit an upfront payment prior to the start of the auction. The amount of the upfront payment for each license auctioned and the procedures for submitting it will be set forth by the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau in a Public Notice in accordance with § 1.2106 of this chapter.

(b) *Down payments.* Winning bidders in a 800 MHz SMR auction for Spectrum Blocks A through V must submit a down payment to the Commission in an amount sufficient to bring their total deposits up to 20 percent of their winning bids within ten (10) business days after the auction closes. Winning bidders will be required to make full payment of the balance of their winning bids ten (10) business days after Public Notice announcing that the Commission is prepared to award the license.

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§ 90.908 Long-form applications.

Each winning bidder will be required to submit a long-form application on FCC Form 600 within ten (10) business days after being notified by Public Notice that it is the winning bidder. Applications on FCC Form 600 shall be submitted pursuant to the procedures set forth in § 90.119 of this part and any associated Public Notices. Only auction winners (and rural telephone companies seeking partitioned licenses pursuant to agreements with auction winners under § 90.911) will be eligible to file applications on FCC Form 600 for initial 800 MHz SMR licenses in the event of mutual exclusivity between applicants filing FCC Form 175.

§ 90.909 License grant, denial, default, and disqualification.

(a) Except with respect to entities eligible for installment payments (see § 90.912) each winning bidder will be required to pay the balance of its winning bid in a lump sum payment within five (5) business days following Public Notice that the license is ready for grant. The Commission will grant the

license within ten (10) business days after receipt of full and timely payment of the winning bid amount.

(b) A bidder who withdraws its bid subsequent to the close of bidding, defaults on a payment due, or is disqualified, will be subject to the payments specified in § 90.905 or § 1.2109 of this chapter, as applicable.

(c) EA licenses pursued through competitive bidding procedures will be granted pursuant to the requirements specified in § 90.166.

§ 90.910 Bidding credits.

(a) A winning bidder that qualifies as a very small business or a consortium of very small businesses, as defined in §§ 90.912(b)(2) and (b)(5), may use a bidding credit of 35 percent to lower the cost of its winning bid on Spectrum Blocks A through V. A winning bidder that qualifies as a small business or a consortium of small businesses, as defined in §§ 90.912(b)(1) or (b)(4), may use a bidding credit of 25 percent to lower the cost of its winning bid on Spectrum Blocks A through V.

(b) *Unjust enrichment.* (1) If a small business or very small business (as defined in §§ 90.912(b)(1) and 90.912(b)(2), respectively) that utilizes a bidding credit under this section seeks to assign or transfer control of an authorization to an entity that is not a small business or very small business, or seeks to make any other change in ownership that would result in the licensee losing eligibility as a small business or very small business, the small business or very small business must seek Commission approval and reimburse the government for the difference between the amount of the bidding credit obtained by the licensee and the bidding credit for which the assignee, transferee, or licensee is eligible under this section as a condition of the approval of such assignment, transfer, or other ownership change.

(2) If a very small business (as defined in § 90.912(b)(2)) that utilizes a bidding credit under this section seeks to assign or transfer control of an authorization to a small business meeting the eligibility standards for a lower bidding credit, or seeks to make any other change in ownership that would result in the licensee qualifying for a